

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
WESTERN DIVISION

CIVIL MINUTES--GENERAL

Case No. CV 06-2927 SGL (AJW)

Date: August 18, 2008

Title: Rodney Lamont Dowd v. Michael Kramer, et al.

=====

PRESENT: HON. ANDREW J. WISTRICH, MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Ysela Benavides
Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR PETITIONER:
None Present

ATTORNEYS PRESENT FOR RESPONDENT(S):
None Present

ORDER DENYING PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL

On August 13, 2008 petitioner filed a motion seeking appointment of counsel. Generally, habeas petitioners have no constitutional right to appointment of counsel. See McCleskey v. Zant, 499 U.S. 467, 495 (1991); Pennsylvania v. Finley, 481 U.S. 551, 555 (1987); Duckett v. Godinez, 67 F.3d 734, 750 n.8 (9th Cir. 1995), cert. denied, 517 U.S. 1158 (1996). Further, the Court has reviewed the pleadings and record in this case and has determined that, at least at this stage of the proceedings, the interests of justice do not warrant appointment of counsel. See 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and Rules 6 and 8 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases and the Rules Governing Section 2255 Proceedings; 28 U.S.C. § 2254(h); 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Accordingly, petitioner's request is **denied**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

cc: parties